

SAMGrid Developments - Part II

**SAMGrid Project Status Report
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Outline

⇒ Continuing where Sinisa's talk (Part I) left off...

⇒ Completed and On-going Projects

Grid-Jim Developments

Data Dimensions Grammar (COMPLETED)

Chains and Links

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Station Developments... to become DH and Cache Services

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⇒ Segue to the Future....

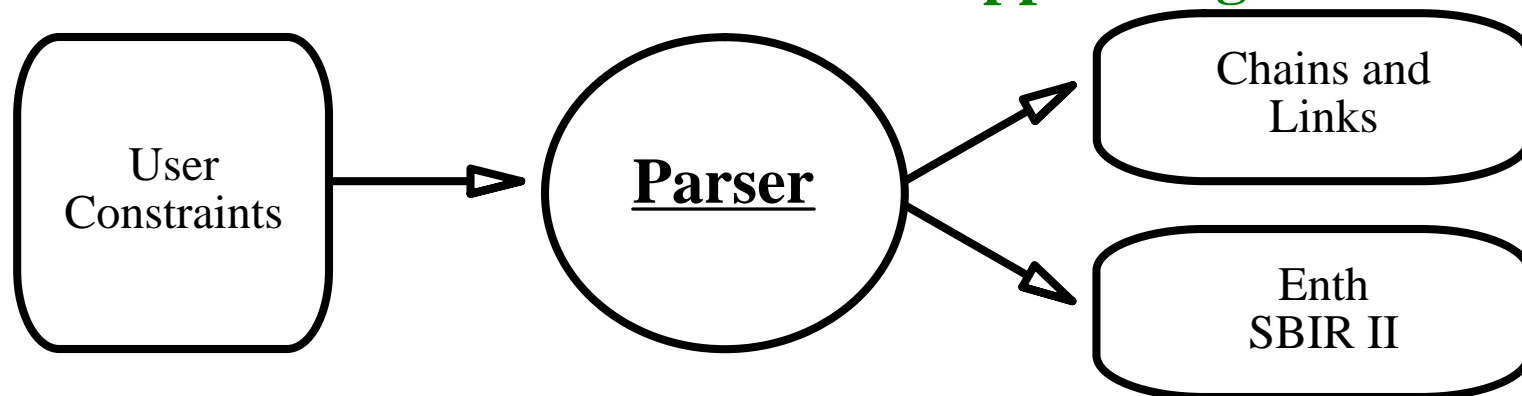
Grid-Jim Developments

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- ⇒ **Mission:** From <http://www-d0.fnal.gov/computing/grid>
"... enhancing SAM... incorporating standard Grid tools and protocols"
- ⇒ **Main areas of work:** Job Handling, Monitoring, GridFtp.
- ⇒ **Who:** Igor Terekhov, Gabriele Garzoglio, 2 students.
- ⇒ **Deliverables (examples):** Remote Job Submission (JIM),
Run-Time Environment tarball management via SAM,
Output datafile merging (DAGMAN), GridFtp and related
authentication support.
- ⇒ **Milestones:** D0 Simulation Production (early March)
- ⇒ **Status:** Basic operations demonstrated, without merging
- ⇒ **Follow-ons:** Improved brokering, CDF JIMdeployment (June)

Data Dimensions Grammar

- ⇒ **Mission:** Define/parse/support new "language" for specifying constraints for defining datasets, improve syntax checking.
- ⇒ **Who:** Randy Herber and Carmenita Moore.
- ⇒ **Deliverables:** Well-defined grammar for that "language", parser for that grammar, large test suite of observed queries (from existing mechanism) to test this all against.
- ⇒ **Status:** Completed.
- ⇒ **Follow-ons:** User-accessible doc of supported grammar.



Chains and Links

- ⇒ **Mission:** Extend "language" for specifying constraints for defining datasets. One of two impl.s which "compiles" parser output to SQL, performs queries, delivers results.
- ⇒ **Who:** Randy Herber, Carmenita Moore, Anil Kumar, Julie Trumbo.
- ⇒ **Tasks Remaining:** Chains and Links Table Schema, SAM db_server code modification, Loads of Chains and Links Tables with join information, Loads of existing dimensions information into new tables, SQL Builder (stand-alone app), Documentation
- ⇒ **Status:** Suffering from over-subscription of key personnel w/higher priority sub-projects. Schedule is being revised.
- ⇒ **Follow-ons:** Extend current functionality (more general results)

CDF DFC Migration

- ⇒ **Mission:** Replace CDF DFC schema and meta-data with SAM's schema and meta-data for all DH tasks.
- ⇒ **Who:** Randy Herber, Rick St. Denis.
- ⇒ **Deliverables:** Translator - DFC to SAM meta-data (done),
Modify CDF code to store meta-data directly into SAM,
Replace existing DFC-specific tools w/SAMtools,
If possible, maintain user interface - change impl to SAM.
- ⇒ **Milestones:** Completion June 01, 2004 (translator turned off)
- ⇒ **Status:** Being revived after hiatus to bring SAM to full production status at CDF and to reduce cost of maintaining redundant meta-data systems. Top priority for Randy's time.
- ⇒ **Note:** For CDF: some non-DH bits of DFC survive this.

CDF (H Stream) Reprocessing

- ⇒ **Mission:** Demonstrate CDF reprocessing large dataset on remote compute farm using SAM and CAF, with output files being stored back into SAM. (H Stream is large...)
- ⇒ **Who:** Frank Wuerthwein, Stefan Stonjek (SAM liaison).
- ⇒ **Deliverables:** Complete reprocessing scripts (divide "job" into manageably-sized projects), perform the reprocessing, store the data back into SAM.
- ⇒ **Milestones:** Finish scripts, start reprocessing by April 15.
- ⇒ **Status:** Sub-project in infancy. Doc and planning in progress.
- ⇒ **Notes:** Some overlaps with Grid-Jim's D0 Sim Prod. Main SAM issue is the processing/handling of VERY large datasets.

Linux - Centralized Services

- ⇒ **Mission:** To deploy SAMGrid centralized services on commodity Linux platforms instead of existing Sun platforms. And document the deployment procedures.
- ⇒ **Who:** Art Kreymer, Stefan Stonjek, Steve White, Dennis Box
- ⇒ **Milestone 1:** SAM db_server and CORBA name service in production on March 1 at CDF. Wait on web services.
- ⇒ **Milestone 2:** SAM web server ready for use by April 1 at CDF.
- ⇒ **Status:** Hardware is in place at FCC, burning in.
- ⇒ **Follow-ons:** Ensure high availability through (a) protocol specific mechanisms (eg CORBA IORs with fail-overs) or (b) generic mechanisms (Linux High Availability Project design with on-the-fly IP address fail-over).

Station Developments

- ⇒ **Mission:** Maintain and evolve the SAM "station", the SAM Data Handling and Cache management component.
- ⇒ **Who:** Andrew Baranovski
- ⇒ **Deliverables:** Increased flexibility, driven by field experience. Many improvements to support ever more diverse use-cases. External Storage Mechanism (ESM) to allow other storage elements (HPSS, dCache) to be treated like local cache.
- ⇒ **Milestones:** Take a 2 week freeze on station development, in order to merge current and db_server branches by March 1
- ⇒ **Follow-ons:** After the merge, we propose to restructure this project into another: DH and Cache Services (next page), and recast this work into evolving sub-project model.

DH and Cache Services

- ⇒ **Mission:** Consider re-alignment of SAM "station" with GRID services model, modularize it into separable components.
- ⇒ **Who:** Andrew Baranovski, Rob Kennedy.
- ⇒ **Applications:** Improve interchangeability and cooperation of different "caches" (next version of ESM) using SRM, improve maintainability of "station" via modularization, prepare for GRID-era re-usability of components, consider applicability of GRID web services model.
- ⇒ **Milestones:** First SAM Design presentation March 11
- ⇒ **Status:** Re-org accepted, but sub-project not yet fully defined.
- ⇒ **Example Now:** In the dCache ESM, SAM does not know what is in cache, so no optimization of file delivery order. Usable, but we want better for global SAM deployment.

Sub-Project Assessments

- ⇒ **Mission:** Produce a uniform 2-page informal assessment of each SAM sub-project, sign-off by all directly involved.
- ⇒ **Who:** Rob Kennedy and Sinisa Veseli (lead on each varies).
- ⇒ **Procedure:** Informal and minimize impact on participants.
 - (a) we ask for current docs to read and arrange interview,
 - (b) 1 hour interview to fill out template with participants,
 - (c) we write up outcome, obtain consensus by e-mail.
- ⇒ **Milestones:** Complete all first round assessments by March 1.
- ⇒ **Status:** All but one interview done. Drafts for nearly all out.
- ⇒ **Follow-ons:** Each new SAM sub-project will require an initial assessment to document its mission, deliverables, milestones. Each active sub-project will updates theirs every 1-3 months. Lead on these will pass from Rob/Sinisa to SPLs over time.

Assessment Template v1.1

- ⇒ Background Documents**
- ⇒ Project definition, mission station, organization (who)**
- ⇒ Deliverables and time-table**
- ⇒ Inter-project Dependencies**
- ⇒ Project Status**
- ⇒ Challenges and Critical Path Items**
- ⇒ Lessons Learned**
- ⇒ Project-specific Comments, alternative points-of-view, etc.**
- ⇒ Next Sub-Project Assessment**

Segue to the Future...

- ⇒ Much development accomplished in the past year, even more in the pipeline, some high-impact deployments soon.
- ⇒ We are positioning ourselves to manage a growing, diversifying list of development sub-projects.
 - assessments provide uniform snapshot of state of SAMGrid
 - evolving towards hierarchical "flavored" organization
 - expanded mgmt team for more internal/external interactions
- ⇒ More varieties of project relationships to consider as well.
 - view before was mostly "internal" and "external"
 - also have "associations" with experiment projects,
 - soon "partnerships" with other major projects,
- ⇒ SAMGrid development in the future: towards interchangeable GRID components while maintaining operations.